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FOLLOWING REPEAT NATO 6591 ACTION STATE INFO ALL NATO CAPITOLS
JULY 8.

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SUBJECT: NATO PERMREPS CONCERNED OVER PRESS COVERAGE OF
NEUTRON BOMB

RE: NATO 6920, NATO 6591

1. AT CONCLUSION OF PRIVATE PERMREP MEETING CONVENED BY
LUNS ON JULY 8 TO DISCUSS STAFF SALARY ISSUES, DEAN
CATALANO (ITALY) RECOMMENDED EARLY CONVENING OF A
RESTRICTED MEETING TO DISCUSS THE NEUTRON BOMB. HE
BELIEVED THAT PUBLICITY SURROUNDING THIS SUBJECT AND THE
CONFUSION IN THE PRESS WARRANTED CLARIFICATION AND DIS-
CUSSION. KILLICK (UK) AGREED WITH CATALANO AND SAID THERE
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WERE ADDITIONAL DEVELOPMENTS SUCH AS THE MARK 12 WARHEAD,
MX ICBM, AND ANTI-SATELLITE INTERCEPTORS WHICH ALSO SHOULD
BE DISCUSSED. KILLICK SAID HE WAS ONLY TRYING TO BE HELP-
FUL, SINCE HE FELT THAT MANY ALLIES WERE CONFUSED BY THE
ANNOUNCEMENTS. BUWALDA (CHARGE - NETHERLANDS) SAID HIS
AUTHORITIES IN THE HAGUE WERE IN A QUANDARY OVER PRESS
STORIES ON THE NEUTRON BOMB. TINE (FRANCE) SHARED THE CON-

CERNS EXPRESSED BY HIS THREE COLLEAGUES ON THIS GENERAL SUBJECT. LUNS AGREED PERMREPS SHOULD DISCUSS MATTER BUT DID NOT MAKE A SPECIFIC PROPOSAL.

2. COMMENT: GIVEN CONCERN OF THE PERMREPS, IT IS LIKELY THAT AMBASSADOR WARNKE, DURING HIS MEETING WITH THE COUNCIL ON JULY 12, WILL BE QUESTIONED ON THESE SUBJECTS. THEREFORE, WE BELIEVE IT LIKELY THAT FOLLOWING JULY 12 COUNCIL MEETING WE WILL BE IN BETTER POSITION TO ASSESS WHAT, IF ANYTHING, NEED BE DONE TO MEET RESIDUAL ALLIED CONCERNS. STREATOR UNQUOTE VANCE

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